

NOTICE TO CONTRACTOR

This is a COMBINED SYNOPSIS/SOLICITATION for commercial items prepared in accordance with the format in FAR subpart 13.5 and 12.6 as supplemented with additional information included in this notice. This solicitation has been prepared with the intent to award on a competitive basis. This announcement constitutes the only solicitation, quotations are being requested and a written solicitation will not be issued. PAPER COPIES OF THIS SOLICITATION WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE. The solicitation number N00244-16-T-0203 is issued as a request for quotation (RFQ). The closing date is 29 August 2016 at 08:00am PT. This solicitation documents and incorporates provisions and clauses in effect through FAC 2005-89 and DFARS Change Notice 20160802.

Questions regarding this procurement must be submitted through email to the contract specialist at alan.gonzales@navy.mil. All questions submitted shall include the solicitation number in the subject line. Other methods of question submittal will not be acknowledged. The Government will make every attempt to answer all questions in a timely manner; however, questions submitted within 7 days of the posted closing date may not allow ample time to respond and offerors cannot be guaranteed a response. All questions and answers will be posted for viewing by all other potential offerors.

It is the contractor's responsibility to be familiar with the applicable clauses, provisions, and the attached Evaluation Criteria. The clauses may be accessed in full text at these addresses: www.acq.osd.mil/ and www.acquisition.gov. The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Code for this acquisition is 518210 – Data Processing, Hosting, and Related Services; Size: \$32.5M. This acquisition is full and open competition. The contract type is Firm Fixed Price.

Brief Requirement Description (for full description, see attached Performance Work Statement): This project is part of a research effort sponsored by Marine Forces Cyber Command, entitled "Media Analytics for Enhanced Indications and Warnings." Our research project seeks to examine differences in the language and tone of news stories, as they are reported in different countries, so as to generate enhanced predictive analytics for assessing future hotspots of conflict. This research includes a requirement for a global historical data archive, providing the full text of news stories, as they were reported across a wide variety of sources and languages. This data will also be used for pedagogical purposes in the classroom, giving students new opportunities for thesis research, ranging from the development of "big data" analytic skills, to the development of substantive analytic products offering new metrics for the assessment of military conflict through global media. The fundamental goal of this project is to further Naval and Joint research and educational goals, by providing enhanced tools and capabilities for the Information Warfare community.

The Government is looking for a contractor furnished Commercial off the Shelf (COTS) data collection of news records. Fleet Logistics Center San Diego requests responses from qualified sources capable of providing the following items:

CLIN 0001, Global Media News Archive. QTY: 1, Unit of Issue: Group, Price: TBD

Minimum Time Period: 1/1/2013 - 12/31/2014

Minimum Number of Total Records: 600,000,000 (The minimum number of records shall be from the minimum time period. Additional records outside of the minimum time period are allowable.)

Minimum Number of Original Sources: 50,000 (No minimum number of records from any single source.)

Minimum Number of Source Countries: 100 (Minimum 1,000 records per each country.)

Minimum Number of Source Languages: 40 (Minimum 1,000 records per each language.)

Each record in the archive should contain a news story gathered from a news website, and should include, at a minimum, the original source URL, date, country of origin, and full text of the original news story in its original language. Digital transcriptions of physical news media or broadcast news media are also allowable and should include, at a minimum, the original source information, date, country of origin, and full text of the original news story in its original language. There is no requirement regarding the type of topic of the news stories.

The Contractor shall provide a protected URL, where they have posted the dataset online, to allow the Government to download and store the data on its own machines. The preferred format of data is JSON; data formats of XML, CSV, or similar are acceptable.

Place of Delivery: Dataset is to be available for download as stated above.

Deliver Date: 30 Days after delivery of contract.

Payment: Wide Area workflow (WAWF)

The following FAR/DFARS provisions and clauses are applicable to this procurement:

52.203-3, Gratuities

52.203-6 Alt 1, Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government

52.204-10, Reporting Executive Compensation and First-Tier Subcontract Awards

52.209-9, Updates of Publicly Available Information Regarding Responsibility Matters

52.209-10, Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations

52.212-1, Instructions to Offerors - Commercial Items;

52.212-3 and its ALT I, Offeror Representations and Certifications - Commercial Items;

52.212-4, Contract Terms and Conditions - Commercial Items;

52.212-5 Contract Terms and Conditions Required to Implement Statutes or Executive Orders – Commercial Items

52.219-4, Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns

52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns

52.219-28, Post Award Small Business Program Rerepresentation

52.222-3, Convict Labor

52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities

52.222-26, Equal Opportunity

52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans

52.222-36, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities

52.222-37, Employment Reports on Veterans

52.222-40, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act

52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons

52.223-18, Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging while Driving

52.227-17, Rights in Data--Special Works

52.239-1, Privacy or Security Safeguards

52.252-1 – Solicitation Provisions Incorporated by Reference

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52.252-2 – Clauses Incorporated by Reference

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Offerors are reminded to include a completed copy of 52.212-3 and its ALT I with quotes. All clauses shall be incorporated by reference in the order. Additional contract terms and conditions applicable to this procurement are:

252.203-7000, Requirements Relating to Compensation of Former DoD Officials

252.203-7005, Representation Relating to Compensation of Former DoD Officials

252.203-7996, Prohibition on Contracting with Entities that Require Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements (Deviation)

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252.204-7012, Safeguarding of Unclassified Controlled Technical Information

252.211-7003, Item Unique Identification and Valuation

252.215-7007, Notice of Intent to Resolicit

252.215-7008, Only One Offer

252.222-7007, Representation Regarding Combating Trafficking in Persons

252.225-7000, Buy American—Balance of Payments Program Certificate

252.225-7012, Preference for Certain Domestic Commodities

252.227-7015, Technical Data—Commercial Items

252.227-7020, Rights in Special Works

252.227-7037, Validation of Restrictive Markings on Technical Data

252.232-7003, Electronic Submission of Payment Requests and Receiving Reports

252.232-7006, Wide Area WorkFlow Payment Instructions

252.232-7010, Levies on Contract Payments

252.239-7017, Notice of Supply Chain Risk

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252.243-7002, Requests for Equitable Adjustment

252.244-7000, Subcontracts for Commercial Items

252.247-7022, Representation of Extent of Transportation by Sea

252.247-7023, Transportation of Supplies by Sea

5252.243-9400 Authorized Changes By the KO

NDZ L-331 Review of Agency Protests

NDZ L-332 Unit Prices

The Government intends to award a firm, fixed price contract resulting from this combined synopsis/solicitation to the responsive and responsible offeror whose conforming response is determined to provide the best value to the Government, utilizing a lowest price technically acceptable evaluation. Offerors are required to become familiar with the attached Evaluation Criteria.

The Government will only consider firm fixed-price quotations. Offeror must complete and submit with the quotation FAR provision 52.212-3 Offeror Representations and Certifications-Commercial Items (MAR 2012) Offeror must be registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) prior to award. The website address is <https://www.sam.gov/>. A Data Universal Number System (DUNS) number is required to register. Email your quote to Alan Gonzales on or before 08:00am Pacific Time on 29 August 2016. Email: alan.gonzales@navy.mil.